Amendments to the Claims:

Claims 1-54 are pending in this application. Claims 1, 8, 14, 21, 26, 33, 39 and 46 are independent. This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1 (CURRENTLY AMENDED): An image sensing apparatus comprising an image sensing unit which converts an optical image of an object into an electric image signal, an interface capable of communicating with an external processing apparatus, and a control unit which transfers said image signal to said external processing apparatus to process the ~~same~~ image signal, wherein said control unit comprises:

a determination unit which determines whether control relation between the image sensing apparatus and the external processing apparatus is a first type in which the external processing apparatus is configured in such a way that a memory in the image sensing apparatus can be accessed directly from said external processing apparatus, or a second type in which the external processing apparatus is configured in such a way that processing in said external processing apparatus can be controlled by a controller of the image sensing apparatus, by communication with said external processing apparatus via said interface; and

a processing controller which changes a processing procedure for processing an image in said image sensing apparatus by said external processing apparatus based on ~~the result of~~ the determination.

2 (CURRENTLY AMENDED): The image sensing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein in [[the]] a case where the control relation is said second type, the external processing apparatus

is controlled based on a predetermined file or command from said image sensing apparatus.

3 (CURRENTLY AMENDED): The image sensing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein in [[the]] a case where the control relation is said first type, a display unit of said image sensing apparatus is switched to an energy-saving mode.

4 (CURRENTLY AMENDED): The image sensing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein in [[the]] a case where the control relation is said first type, the processing of the image from said image sensing apparatus can be started based on an operation of a switch provided in the external processing apparatus.

5 (CURRENTLY AMENDED): The image sensing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein in [[the]] a case where the control relation is said second type, the external processing apparatus can start the processing of the image from said image sensing apparatus in response to an operation of a switch provided in the image sensing apparatus.

6 (CURRENTLY AMENDED): The image sensing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein in [[the]] a case where the control relation is said first type, the external processing apparatus comprises a display unit which displays the image from said image sensing apparatus.

7 (ORIGINAL): The image sensing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said external processing apparatus is a printing apparatus, which prints the image from said image sensing apparatus.

8 (CURRENTLY AMENDED): An processing apparatus communicating with an image

sensing apparatus which converts an optical image of an object into an electric image signal and comprises an interface capable of communicating with the processing apparatus, comprising:

a determination unit which determines whether control relation between the image sensing apparatus and the processing apparatus is a first type in which the external processing apparatus is configured in such a way that a memory in the image sensing apparatus can be accessed directly-from said processing apparatus, or a second type in which the external processing apparatus is configured in such a way that processing in said processing apparatus can be controlled by the image sensing apparatus, by communication with said image sensing apparatus via said interface; and

a processing controller which changes a processing procedure for processing an image in said image sensing apparatus by said processing apparatus based on ~~the result of~~ the determination.

9 (CURRENTLY AMENDED): The processing apparatus according to claim 8, wherein in [[the]] a case where the control relation is said second type, said processing apparatus can be controlled based on a predetermined file or command from said image sensing apparatus.

10 (CURRENTLY AMENDED): The processing apparatus according to claim 8, wherein in [[the]] a case where the control relation is said first type, the processing of the image from said image sensing apparatus can be started in response to an operation of a switch provided in said processing apparatus.

11 (CURRENTLY AMENDED): The processing apparatus according to claim 8, wherein in

[[the]] a case where the control relation is said second type, said processing apparatus can start the processing of the image from said image sensing apparatus by an operation of a switch provided in said image sensing apparatus.

12 (ORIGINAL): The processing apparatus according to claim 8, further comprising a display unit which displays the image from said image sensing apparatus.

13 (ORIGINAL): The processing apparatus according to claim 8, wherein the processing apparatus prints the image from said image sensing apparatus.

14 (CURRENTLY AMENDED): A control method for an image sensing apparatus comprising an image sensing unit which converts an optical image of an object into an electric image signal, an interface capable of communicating with an external processing apparatus, and a control unit which transfers said image signal to said external processing apparatus to process the ~~same~~ image signal, said control method comprising:

determining whether control relation between the image sensing apparatus and the external processing apparatus is a first type in which the external processing apparatus is configured in such a way that a memory in the image sensing apparatus can be accessed directly from said external processing apparatus, or a second type in which the external processing apparatus is configured in such a way that processing in said external processing apparatus can be controlled by a controller of the image sensing apparatus, by communication with said external processing apparatus via said interface; and

changing a processing procedure for processing an image in said image sensing

apparatus by said external processing apparatus based on ~~the result of~~ the determination.

15 (CURRENTLY AMENDED): The control method according to claim 14, wherein in [[the]] a case where the control relation is said second type, the external processing apparatus is controlled based on a predetermined file or command from said image sensing apparatus.

16 (CURRENTLY AMENDED): The control method according to claim 14, wherein in [[the]] a case where the control relation is said first type, a display unit of the image sensing apparatus is switched to an energy-saving mode.

17 (CURRENTLY AMENDED): The control method according to claim 14, wherein in [[the]] a case where the control relation is said first type, the processing of the image from said image sensing apparatus can be started in response to an operation of a switch provided in the external processing apparatus.

18 (CURRENTLY AMENDED): The control method according to claim 14, wherein in [[the]] a case where the control relation is said second type, the external processing apparatus can start the processing of the image from said image sensing apparatus in response to an operation of a switch provided in the image sensing apparatus.

19 (CURRENTLY AMENDED): The control method according to claim 14, wherein in [[the]] a case where the control relation is said first type, the external processing apparatus comprises a display unit which displays the image from said image sensing apparatus.

20 (ORIGINAL): The control method according to claim 14, wherein said external

processing apparatus is a printing apparatus, which prints the image from said image sensing apparatus.

21 (CURRENTLY AMENDED): A control method for an processing apparatus communicating with an image sensing apparatus which converts an optical image of an object into an electric image signal and comprises an interface capable of communicating with the processing apparatus, comprising:

determining whether control relation between the image sensing apparatus and the processing apparatus is a first type in which the external processing apparatus is configured in such a way that a memory in the image sensing apparatus can be accessed directly from said processing apparatus, or a second type in which the external processing apparatus is configured in such a way that processing in said processing apparatus can be controlled by the image sensing apparatus, by communication with said image sensing apparatus via said interface; and

changing a processing procedure for processing the image in said image sensing apparatus by said processing apparatus based on ~~the result of~~ the determination.

22 (CURRENTLY AMENDED): The control method according to claim 21, wherein in [[the]] a case where the control relation is said second type, said processing apparatus can be controlled based on a predetermined file or command from said image sensing apparatus.

23 (CURRENTLY AMENDED): The control method according to claim 21, wherein in [[the]] a case where the control relation is said first type, the processing of the image from said image sensing apparatus can be started in response to an operation of a switch provided in said

processing apparatus.

24 (CURRENTLY AMENDED): The control method according to claim 21, wherein in [[the]] a case where the control relation is said second type, said processing apparatus can start the processing of the image from said image sensing apparatus in response to an operation of a switch provided in said image sensing apparatus.

25 (ORIGINAL): The control method according to claim 21, wherein the image from said image sensing apparatus is printed.

26 (CURRENTLY AMENDED): An image storage apparatus comprising a storage unit which stores an electric image signal, an interface capable of communicating with an external image processing apparatus, and a control unit which transfers said image signal to said external image processing apparatus to process the ~~same~~ image signal, wherein said control unit comprises:

a determination unit which determines whether control relation between the image sensing apparatus and the external image processing apparatus is a first type in which the external processing apparatus is configured in such a way that said storage unit in the image storage apparatus can be accessed directly from said external image processing apparatus, or a second type in which the external processing apparatus is configured in such a way that processing in said external image processing apparatus can be controlled by a controller of the image storage apparatus, by communication with said external image processing apparatus via said interface; and

a processing controller which changes a processing procedure for processing an image in said image storage apparatus by said external image processing apparatus based on ~~the result of~~ the determination.

27 (CURRENTLY AMENDED): The image storage apparatus according to claim 26, wherein in [[the]] a case where the control relation is said second type, the external image processing apparatus is controlled based on a predetermined file or command from said image storage apparatus.

28 (CURRENTLY AMENDED): The image storage apparatus according to claim 26, wherein in [[the]] a case where the control relation is said first type, a display unit of said image storage apparatus is switched to an energy-saving mode.

29 (CURRENTLY AMENDED): The image storage apparatus according to claim 26, wherein in [[the]] a case where the control relation is said first type, the processing of the image from said image storage apparatus can be started based on an operation of a switch provided in the external image processing apparatus.

30 (CURRENTLY AMENDED): The image storage apparatus according to claim 26, wherein in [[the]] a case where the control relation is said second type, the external image processing apparatus can start the processing of the image from said image storage apparatus in response to an operation of a switch provided in the image storage apparatus.

31 (CURRENTLY AMENDED): The image storage apparatus according to claim 26, wherein in [[the]] a case where the control relation is said first type, the external image

processing apparatus comprises a display unit which displays the image from said image storage apparatus.

32 (ORIGINAL): The image storage apparatus according to claim 26, wherein said external image processing apparatus is a printing apparatus, which prints the image from said image storage apparatus.

33 (CURRENTLY AMENDED): An image processing apparatus communicating with an image storage apparatus which stores an electric image signal and comprises an interface capable of communicating with the image processing apparatus, comprising:

a determination unit which determines whether control relation between the image storage apparatus and the image processing apparatus is a first type in which the external processing apparatus is configured in such a way that a memory in the image storage apparatus can be accessed directly from said image processing apparatus, or a second type in which the external processing apparatus is configured in such a way that processing in said image processing apparatus can be controlled by the image storage apparatus, by communication with said image storage apparatus via said interface; and

a processing controller which changes a processing procedure for processing an image in said image storage apparatus by said image processing apparatus based on ~~the result of~~ the determination.

34 (CURRENTLY AMENDED): The image processing apparatus according to claim 33, wherein in [[the]] a case where the control relation is said second type, said image processing

apparatus can be controlled based on a predetermined file or command from said image storage apparatus.

35 (CURRENTLY AMENDED): The image processing apparatus according to claim 33, wherein in [[the]] a case where the control relation is said first type, the processing of the image from said image storage apparatus can be started in response to an operation of a switch provided in said image processing apparatus.

36 (CURRENTLY AMENDED): The image processing apparatus according to claim 33, wherein in [[the]] a case where the control relation is said second type, said image processing apparatus can start the processing of the image from said image storage apparatus by an operation of a switch provided in said image storage apparatus.

37 (ORIGINAL): The image processing apparatus according to claim 33, further comprising a display unit which displays the image from said image storage apparatus.

38 (ORIGINAL): The image processing apparatus according to claim 33, wherein the image processing apparatus prints the image from said image storage apparatus.

39 (CURRENTLY AMENDED): A control method for an image storage apparatus comprising a storage unit which stores an electric image signal, an interface capable of communicating with an external image processing apparatus, and a control unit which transfers said image signal to said external image processing apparatus to process the ~~same~~ image signal, said method comprising:

determining whether control relation between the image storage apparatus and the

external image processing apparatus is a first type in which the external processing apparatus is configured in such a way that a memory in the image storage apparatus can be accessed directly from said external image processing apparatus, or a second type in which the external processing apparatus is configured in such a way that processing in said external image processing apparatus can be controlled by a controller of the image storage apparatus, by communication with said external image processing apparatus via said interface; and

changing a processing procedure for processing an image in said image storage apparatus by said external image processing apparatus based on ~~the result of~~ the determination.

40 (CURRENTLY AMENDED): The control method according to claim 39, wherein in [[the]] a case where the control relation is said second type, the external image processing apparatus is controlled based on a predetermined file or command from said image storage apparatus.

41 (CURRENTLY AMENDED): The control method according to claim 39, wherein in [[the]] a case where the control relation is said first type, a display unit of the image storage apparatus is switched to an energy-saving mode.

42 (CURRENTLY AMENDED): The control method according to claim 39, wherein in [[the]] a case where the control relation is said first type, the processing of the image from said image storage apparatus can be started in response to an operation of a switch provided in the external image processing apparatus.

43 (CURRENTLY AMENDED): The control method according to claim 39, wherein in

[[the]] a case where the control relation is said second type, the external image processing apparatus can start the processing of the image from said image storage apparatus in response to an operation of a switch provided in the image storage apparatus.

44 (CURRENTLY AMENDED): The control method according to claim 39, wherein in [[the]] a case where the control relation is said first type, the external image processing apparatus comprises a display unit which displays the image from said image storage apparatus.

45 (ORIGINAL): The control method according to claim 39, wherein said external image processing apparatus is a printing apparatus, which prints the image from said image storage apparatus.

46 (CURRENTLY AMENDED): A control method for an image processing apparatus communicating with an image storage apparatus which stores an electric image signal and comprises an interface capable of communicating with the image processing apparatus, said method comprising:

determining whether control relation between the image storage apparatus and the image processing apparatus is a first type in which the external processing apparatus is configured in such a way that a memory in the image storage apparatus can be accessed directly from said image processing apparatus, or a second type in which the external processing apparatus is configured in such a way that processing in said image processing apparatus can be controlled by the image storage apparatus, by communication with said image storage apparatus via said interface; and

changing a processing procedure for processing the image in said image storage apparatus by said image processing apparatus based on ~~the result of~~ the determination.

47 (CURRENTLY AMENDED): The control method according to claim 46, wherein in [[the]] a case where the control relation is said second type, said image processing apparatus can be controlled based on a predetermined file or command from said image storage apparatus.

48 (CURRENTLY AMENDED): The control method according to claim 46, wherein in [[the]] a case where the control relation is said first type, the processing of the image from said image storage apparatus can be started in response to an operation of a switch provided in said image processing apparatus.

49 (CURRENTLY AMENDED): The control method according to claim 46, wherein in [[the]] a case where the control relation is said second type, said image processing apparatus can start the processing of the image from said image storage apparatus in response to an operation of a switch provided in said image storage apparatus.

50 (ORIGINAL): The control method according to claim 46, wherein the image from said image storage apparatus is printed.

51 (ORIGINAL): A computer readable storage medium storing a program for implementing the control method described in claim 14.

52 (ORIGINAL): A computer readable storage medium storing a program for implementing the control method described in claim 21.

53 (ORIGINAL): A computer readable storage medium storing a program for implementing the control method described in claim 39.

54 (ORIGINAL): A computer readable storage medium storing a program for implementing the control method described in claim 46.